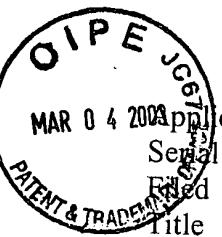


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AMENDMENT/REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114(D)

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Applicants hereby file a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114(d) in response to the final office action dated August 27, 2002 and the advisory action dated January 24, 2003. Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 11, as follows:

-- 1. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for preventing or treating peptic ulcer, comprising:

- (i) an American ginseng extract in an amount effective for preventing or treating peptic ulcer; and
- (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;

wherein said American ginseng extract consisting essentially of a preparation obtained by extraction with a solvent, centrifugation, and filtration through an ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off at least 1,000 to give a retentate, and concentration of the retentate.

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